

Remarks

The Examiner is thanked for allowing claims 1, 2, 7-19 and 25 and also for the detailed comments that the Examiner provided. The Examiner continues to reject claims 20-24 as being obvious in view of Toyoda, but has indicated that claim 26 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Applicant does not agree with the Examiner regarding the obviousness of claims 20-24 in view of the cited art but, in the interest of passing this case to issue, has hereby amended claim 20 to incorporate the limitations of claim 26, and cancelled claim 26 from the application. Applicant therefore respectfully submits that this case is now in condition for allowance and urges the Examiner to pass all pending claims to issue.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 08-2025. In particular, if this response is not timely filed, the Commissioner is authorized to treat this response as including a petition to extend the time period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to make this response timely filed and the petition fee due in connection therewith may be charged to deposit account no. 08-2025.

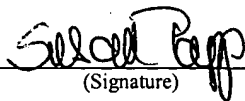
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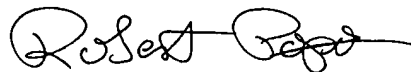


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